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Via Facsimile 1-800-542-6630

Ms. Melissa Horn Louisiana Board of Ethics P. O. Box 4368 Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70821

> RE: Committee to Re-Elect Judge Lori Landry 2015 Supplemental Campaign Finance Disclosure Report

Dear Ms. Horn:

On behalf of Judge Lori Landry and the Committee to Re-Elect Judge Lori Landry, I am requesting that the board waive the late fee payment previously assessed for the inadvertent failure to timely file the required finance report. It would appear from the information garnered by this office since engagement, the failure resulted from a good faith though erroneous misunderstanding of the rules by the persons charged with the responsibility. My discussions with the individuals assigned this task, Richard J. Lewis and Michael Landry, indicated a belief that as the 2014 campaign ended absent of any assets and/or liabilities the need for filing of a report was vitiated. Upon notification of the overdue report the committee acted expeditiously in making the filing. That report confirmed the absence of any liabilities or assets at the end of Judge Landry's successful campaign.

Judge Landry is acutely aware of the responsibility of timely reporting and will make a conscientious effort to insure that the preparer(s) of future reports do so in accordance with the rules even when the outcome of the race is zero. In an effort to prevent or minimize further occurrences, Judge Landry and I will assist the designees in an updated implementation of a computer and manual calendar reminder of the prescribed deadlines for reporting. I will further suggest to them that they enroll in the next available workshop which is scheduled for 7 September 2016 in Lafayette Parish.

On behalf of Judge Landry, I am requesting that the panel give meaningful consideration

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to the good faith misunderstanding of the regulation in addition to the proposed preventive action and grant the requested waiver of the late fee.

Thanking you for your continued cooperation and with best wishes, I am

Respectfully,

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cc: Honorable Lori Landry, District Judge

Richard J. Lewis Michael R. Landry